

THE CROMWELL ARGUS

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

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Cromwell Advertisements



THE PEOPLE'S BAKERY

J. SCOTT,

BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,

Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

Bridge Hotel, Cromwell.

JOHN MARSH,

OF THE BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

IS DETERMINED TO GIVE VALUE FOR MONEY.

CROMWELL VETERINARY

SHOEING FORGE.

Next door to Smitham's Kaurau Hotel.

EDWARD LINDSAY,

(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),

GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND MACHINIST.

E. L. begs to inform the public of Cromwell that he has purchased the business of Mr Thompson, and trusts by strict attention to business, and the execution of all work placed in his hands in a first-class and workmanlike manner, to merit a continuance of the support accorded his predecessor.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public generally that he has gone to the expense of getting a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS on a new principle, being the first introduced up-country, which he will guarantee to give general satisfaction; also, that he has made a reduction in the price of Horse-shoeing.

LIGHT SHOES 10s.
DRAUGHT 10s.

EDWARD LINDSAY,
Veterinary Shoeing Forge.



W. H. WHETTER,

BOOTMAKER,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

A large and varied stock of Home and Colonial made Boots and Shoes on hand, to which attention is respectfully requested.

PRICES MODERATE.

GILBERT FOWLER,



[Late of Clyde],

BAKER AND FAMILY GROCER,
Cromwell.

Supplies every description of GROCERIES, of best qualities, at reasonable prices.

Families waited on for orders, and goods delivered in any part of the town or district.

Wedding Cakes made to order.

Confectionery of all descriptions.

A good supply of Fresh Butter always on hand.

GILBERT FOWLER,

Baker and Family Grocer,

CROMWELL.

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Junction Commercial Hotel,
CROMWELL.

JOSEPH HARDING begs to intimate that he has purchased from Mr G. W. Goocox the above large and centrally-situated Hotel, and is now in a position to offer accommodation of a superior description to all who may favor him with their patronage.

His past experience in the WINE and SPIRIT trade, will he trusts, be a sufficient guarantee that the Spirits and Malt Liquors served will be as pure as on the day they left the vintory or the distillery.

The BEDROOMS, PRIVATE PARLORS, &c., are fitted up in the best style, and every attention will be paid to secure the comfort and convenience of visitors.

Large and Comfortable

BILLIARD ROOM,
Fitted with one of Alcock's Tables.

Particular attention has been paid to the STABLES

In connection with the Hotel, and the public may rely on Every Care being taken of their HORSES.

MEALS ready at ALL HOURS of the day.

J. HARDING.

CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD,
LATE MR GRANT'S
NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD.

JAMES TAYLOR,
Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger,



Has FOR SALE all kinds of Building Material suitable for the district.

Estimates given for Buildings at the LOWEST PRICES compatible with Good Material and Workmanship.

Punctuality and attention to all orders may be relied on.

A Large Assortment of Paperhangings, Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs, Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c.

Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners' Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manila Rope, SADDLERY, &c., cheap. 25

CROMWELL HOTEL,
CROMWELL.

ROBERT KIDD, PROPRIETOR.

The travelling public and Commercial Gentlemen will find this the most convenient house to put up at in Cromwell. There are excellent bed, private sitting, and dining rooms, and attached to the establishment is a magnificent Billiard Saloon, and the largest hall for Concerts, Balls, or Theatrical Representations out of Dunedin.

Excellent Stabling, &c.

DAGG'S

CLUTHA HOTEL,

CROMWELL.

Best Accommodation for Visitors.

PRETTY FAIR LIQUOR.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING.

THE CELEBRATED
BLACK HORSE BREWERY BEER.

XXX AND XXXX ALE.

BASTINGS AND KOFOED - PROPRIETORS.

The undersigned has been appointed SOLE AGENT for Cromwell and surrounding districts, and can guarantee a regular supply. The Beer cannot be excelled in Otago.

W. J. BARRY,

Cromwell.

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SHAMROCK STORE,
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SHANLY & Co.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION



MERCHANTS.

A large and varied assortment of WINES, SPIRITS, AND GROCERIES.

Goods delivered in all parts of the district. free of charge.

Smithfield Butchery Company.



OWEN PIERCE (late of St. Bathans) having purchased from Mr W. J. BARRY the Butchery Business lately carried on by him in Cromwell, begs to intimate that he is in a position to supply the best description of meat at moderate prices.

O. P. hopes by strict attention to business, and keeping meat of the very best quality, to obtain a share of public support.

KAWARAU HOTEL,
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SMITHAM, PROPRIETOR.

The best conducted and most comfortable Hotel in the District.

A FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD ROOM, With one of Alcock's best Tables.

Coaches leave for Queenstown and Arrow every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9 a.m.; for Clyde every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 3.30 p.m.; and for Cardrona and Alberton every Wednesday at 9 a.m.

N.B.—W. S. having erected a large range of Stabling, would intimate to Travellers that every care will be bestowed upon horses. An experienced groom in attendance.

CROMWELL.



FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,

(Wholesale and Retail),

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

Joints of Beef, 6d per lb.
Sides of Mutton, 3½ per lb.

TERMS—CASH.

Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.

CROMWELL COAL PITS.

NICHOLAS & CO.

Beg to inform the public of Cromwell and the surrounding district that they have purchased the Lease of the above-named Coal Works, and that they are now in a position to supply COAL of excellent quality on the shortest notice, and at the same rates as heretofore—viz., 20s. per ton at the Pit, or 32s. per ton delivered.

No INCREASE in PRICES!

NICHOLAS & CO.,
Coal Merchants.

NOTICE.

I BEG to intimate to the public that I have leased the STABLES belonging to the BRIDGE HOTEL to Mr FRANK FOOTE.

JOHN MARSH.

HAVING leased from Mr John Marsh the above well-known STABLES, I beg to solicit the support of my old friends and the public generally, and trust, by strict attention, and moderate charges, to merit a share of public patronage.

Horses always on hire.

Horses carefully broken to saddle or harness.

F. FOOTE.

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New Line of
ROYAL MAIL COACHES

BETWEEN

Queenstown and Clyde.

R. W. DANIEL begs to intimate that he has started his new line of Coaches between Clyde, Cromwell, and Queenstown, leaving Clyde on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and Queenstown on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

[A CARD.]

D. R. JAMES CORSE,
SURGEON,

May be consulted daily at his residence,

MELMORE-STREET,

CROMWELL.

LIME! LIME!! LIME!!!

From the DEEP CREEK KILNS.

I. HALLENSTEIN & Co.

Agents for the Cromwell District.

NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to inform the inhabitants of the Cromwell, Alexandra, and Clyde districts that we have appointed

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,
CROMWELL,

as our only Agents for the sale of our Silk-dressed FLOUR, BRAN, and POLLARD.

We guarantee all Flour branded with our name and obtained through the above agents.

ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN,
Brunswick Flour Mills,
Lake Wakatipu.



DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,

WHOLESALE

AND

FAMILY GROCERS,

AND

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

D. A. J. and Co. desire to intimate to the people of Cromwell and surrounding districts that they have opened their new premises, and as they intend devoting their attention exclusively to the Grocery and Wine and Spirit trade, confidently hope, from their connection in Dunedin, to be in a position to place before the public a genuine class of goods, well and carefully selected, at prices that cannot fail to give general satisfaction. They would respectfully invite attention more especially to the following articles in stock:—

Teas of excellent flavor, in chests, half-chests, and boxes
Coffees not to be surpassed in quality
Cocoa and Chocolate of the best brands
Sugar—crystals and crushed loaf
Raisins—Muscatel, Sultanina, and Eleme
Jams, Jellies, Pickles, and Sauces
Bacon, Cheese, and Butter of prime quality
Tobacco—Imperial Ruby Twist, Baccarat's Twist, Old Sport, andromatic
Oils—Salad, Castor, and Kerosene
Candles of the best brands
Soaps—Blue Mottled, Yellow, and Scented in bars and cakes, &c., &c.

GRAIN.

Wakatipu Oats, Wheat, and Chaff

SPIRITS.

Islay Whisky—Arbog's and Long James' Hennessy's and Martell's Brandy, in bulk and case

J.D.K.Z. Geneva
Barnett's Old Tom
Lemon Hart's Rum in bulk
Porter—Black's, Byness's, and Guinness's

CORDIALS.

Ginger Wine, Raspberry Vinegar, Peppermint, Lemon Syrup, &c., &c.
Dr Townsend's Sarsaparilla.

Families waited on for orders, and goods delivered in all parts of the district at Cromwell prices.

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I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,

GENERAL IMPORTERS,

**Cromwell
Queenstown****Arrowtown
Melbourne.**

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the inhabitants of CROMWELL and surrounding districts to our

LARGE AND WELL-SELECTED STOCK,

Which is specially suitable to supply their wants. Each Department will be found complete, and assorted with every requirement.

Drapery { The attention of Ladies is respectfully directed to this Department. It will be found replete with all the latest novelties from the Melbourne markets, (carefully selected by our Mr Hallenstein), comprising:

Dresser, in silks, fancy and black; alpaca, challis, mohairs, winceys, muslins, prints, colours.
Shawls, all-wool plaids, French merinos, skirtings, jackets, &c.
Hosiery, gloves, handkerchiefs, laces, trimmings of all kinds.
Ladies' and Children's Underclothing.—Our stock will be found the largest and best-assorted on the Gold-fields.
Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed.
Feathers, flowers, corsets, chignons, &c.
A large assortment of white and coloured flannels, serge and cricketing; calicoes and sheetings; and every other article required in the trade.

Slop Department. { Men's Suits, Paget and sack; boys' ditto, Leopold, Stanley, sac, and knickerbocker.
Trousers and vests, all kinds.
Trousers, in silk mixture, doeskin, tweed, cotton, Bedford cord, and moleskin.
Shirts—white dress, regatta, Crimean, serge, Scotch twill, tweed, and jean.
Pants and under-shirts, in flannel, lambswool, serge, merino, and cotton.
Men's and boys' Hosiery, of all kinds.
Hats—straw, merino, tweed, silk-stitched, felt, and plush, in all the latest shapes.
Waterproof coats, overalls, leggings, and sou'westers.
Monkey jackets and pilot coats.
All the above Goods are to our special order.

Boots and Shoes { A splendid assortment, consisting of:
Ladies', girls', and children's boots, in kid, cashmere, morocco, and leather.
Slippers—canvas, patent leather (plain and fur-trimmed), sheepskin, and carpet.
Men's and boys' boots—elastic side, Balmoral, Blucher, Wellington, half Wellington, and riding boots.
Colonial water-tights, made to our order in Melbourne.
Gum boots—Hayward's North British and Liverpool; Hardy's nuggets.

Carpets { In tapestry, felt, all-wool kidderminster, drugget; hearth-rugs.

Matting—China and coir; oilcloth, door-mats.

ALL ORDERS WILL RECEIVE OUR PROMPT AND CAREFUL ATTENTION.

SPARKS FROM THE ANVIL.

WILLIAM BARNES,
BLACKSMITH AND FARRIER,
(Late of Addlestone, Surrey).

Begs to announce to the inhabitants of CROMWELL and the surrounding Districts that he is now carrying on the above business near the Bridge Hotel; and trusts, by strict attention to business, coupled with moderate charges, to secure a share of the work of the district.

A Consignment of the "GOODENOUGH" PATENT HORSE-SHOES having now arrived, you will have an opportunity of testing the latest improved principle.

The undersigned has had long practice on the above patent, and the public may rely upon the efficiency of the workmanship.

WILLIAM BARNES,
Blacksmith and Farrier.
N.B.—Next the Bridge Hotel.

CROMWELL AUCTION MART,
(Formerly Ziehl's Store),
MELMORE-STREET.

W. J. BARRY
Auctioneer, Cattle Salesman,

AND
COMMISSION AGENT.

Begs to announce to his friends, and the public generally, that he is now prepared to conduct

AUCTION SALES,
in Cromwell, or any other part of the Province, at the lowest rate of commission.

W. J. B. begs to remind the public that his experience as a Cattle Salesman is unsurpassed by that of any other Auctioneer in the Province.

In conjunction with the Auction Mart, a large STORE has been secured, capable of holding 500 Tons of Goods, which will be done at a very low rate of storage.

MONTHLY SALES OF CATTLE will be held, particulars of which will be duly notified.

Extensive CATTLE YARDS—capable of accommodating from 200 to 300 head of cattle, or from 5000 to 10,000 Sheep—have been erected on the Flat immediately adjoining the Township.

Drafting Pens for Cattle are provided, so that each party may have his stock sold in separate pens.

Arrangements have been made for receiving periodical consignments of Drapery Goods and General Merchandise from Dunedin and Melbourne, which will be sold at the Mart by Evening Sales.

Ironmongery { Carefully chosen by our Mr Buttner. To enumerate all the articles in this department is impossible. Every want can be supplied.

Building { Consisting of Timber, all kinds; Iron, galvanised and painted; Materials { zinc, doors, sashes, ridging and spouting, screws, nails, locks, hinges, and bolts, Paints, Oils, Glass, all kinds.

Paperhangings—a very large and choice assortment.

Tinware—all kinds.

Kitchen Utensils—stoves, boilers, saucepans, kettles, &c.

Crockery—a well-assorted department.

Lamps, Glassware, Kerosene, Lamp-ware.

Furniture { Comprising chairs, tables, bedsteads, mattresses, wash-stands, flock, hair, pillows, bolsters, &c.

Leather—in crop, kip, calf, kangaroo, &c., from the Tannery of Michaelis, Hallenstein, and Co., Melbourne.

Grindery—a large assortment.

Tobacco, Cigars, &c. { Our Melbourne firm being large importers, we can do this line especially well.

Stationery { A good selection of note, letter, and foolscap paper; envelopes of every description; commercial books, a large variety; a choice selection of gift-books, &c.

Fancy Goods { A large, choice, and varied assortment.

Patent Medicines of all kinds.

Saddlery { (Made expressly for us by Alton of Melbourne)—a splendid assortment, comprising spring-cart and dray harness, hames, straps, collars, SADDLES of various kinds, bridles, halters, martingales, and saddle-cloths; jockey, cart, stock, and buggy whips; spurs.

Produce { Agents for Robertson and Hallenstein, Brunswick Flour Mills, Lake Wakatipu.—We have for sale their silk-dressed Flour, (the best in the Province); pollard, bran, oats, wheat, barley, chaff. (Garden seeds in great variety.

Sundries { Tents, tarpaulins, Mamilla rope—hose canvas, horse-covers, wheelbarrows, hose-directors, brushware, camp and colonial ovens, &c. &c. &c.

ARGUS SEED WAREHOUSE,
CROMWELL.

George Matthews,
NURSEYMAN, SEEDSMAN AND
SEED GROWER,
MORAY-PLACE, DUNEDIN.

Begs to announce that he has established a BRANCH of his business at the office of the CROMWELL ARGUS, where he purposes keeping in stock every description of

Fruit Trees and Garden Seeds

Of the very best qualities, and suited to the requirements of the District.

Orders received for all kinds of Nursery Stock, Fruit and Forest Trees, Ornamental Trees and Shrubs, Flower Seeds, Agricultural Seeds, &c., &c., &c.

The first consignment of Trees and Seeds has just arrived, and is now on sale at the

Argus Seed Warehouse,
CROMWELL.

JUNCTION HOTEL,
TUAPEKA ROAD,

(Seventeen miles from Lawrence).

HUGH MACKENZIE,
(Late of Manukerika),

Desires to inform his numerous friends throughout the Northern Gold-fields that he has purchased the JUNCTION HOTEL, lately kept by Mr Thomas Higgs; and that he is enabled to offer, at the above hotel, accommodation equal to that of any house on the road.

Branch Booking Office for Cobb's Coaches to Teviot and Switzers.
Passengers change coaches for Switzers at the Junction Hotel.

Good stabling and paddock accommodation.

A. JACK'S
CRITERION FAMILY & COMMERCIAL
HOTEL,
ALEXANDRA.

Livery and Bait Stables.—Loose Boxes, Coach house, &c.

FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD TABLE.

Lowburn, Bendigo Gully, &c.

WELCOME HOME HOTEL
AND STORE,

LOWBURN,

About three miles from Cromwell, on the road to the Bendigo Reefs.

JOHN PERRIAM . . . PROPRIETOR.

Every accommodation for Travellers.

ROCKY POINT FERRY.



GEORGE McLACHLAN begs to intimate that he has purchased from Mr John McCormick, together with the Rocky Point FERRY HOTEL, the large and well-furnished PUNT recently placed on the Clutha at the above crossing-place.

This Punt is admitted to be one of the finest in the Province, and easily crosses the heaviest six and eight-horse waggons. Forty tons can be taken on the punt at once, and crossed with ease.

This being the nearest road to Bendigo parties visiting the Reefs will find it to their advantage to cross at this punt. Vehicles of all descriptions ferried at moderate rates.

MITCHINSON & HARRISON,

Wholesale and Retail
STOREKEEPERS,
WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,

WAKEFIELD STORE,

(Near Cromwell Quartz Co.'s Machine),
BENDIGO.

GOODS DELIVERED

At all parts of the Reefs.

BENDIGO AND WAKEFIELD POST-OFFICE.

BENDIGO REEFS HOTEL,
WAKEFIELD.

The undersigned having recently completed the above house at great expense, begs to intimate that he is now in a position to offer the best Accommodation to his patrons. The house has been fitted with every convenience for carrying on an extensive trade, and the comfort of visitors and boarders will be specially attended to.

Commodious BILLIARD ROOM, with one of the best Tables.

W. GOODALL,

25 Proprietor.

PROVINCIAL HOTEL,
LOGANTOWN.

KELSALL & WILSON,
Proprietors.

The above house is the largest and most commodious in the district.

EXTENSIVE STABLING.

GENERAL STORE attached to the hotel with a large and varied assortment of Groceries and other goods.

Orders punctually attended to, and goods delivered throughout the district on the shortest notice. 27-39

REEFERS' ARMS HOTEL,
Logantown.

JAMES BEARE PROPRIETOR.

The above house is the largest and most comfortable in the district.

GOOD STABLING.

ALBION HOTEL AND STORE
LUGGATE,

28 miles from Cromwell, on the main road to Lake Wanaka).

H. MAIDMAN PROPRIETOR.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation for the comfort and convenience of travellers.

Groceries, Clothing, Drapery, Ironmongery, Mining Tools, &c., &c., constantly on hand, at Cromwell prices.

GOOD STABLING.

N.B.—District Post Office.

BOOKS! STATIONERY! BOOKS!

Large Stocks arrived at
REITH AND WILKIE'S,
Princes-street,
Ex "Leucadin," "Wayward," and
"E. P. Bouverie."

For List, see Witness.

APPLE AND PEAR TREES on sale at the
ARGUS SEED WAREHOUSE.

Hawea and Wanaka

HAWEA SAW-MILLS.

The undersigned can supply SAWN TIMBER any quantity.

Orders addressed to Albert Town will be punctually attended to, and forwarded to Bendigo Gully for 26s per 100 feet.

BOARDS and SCANTLING at 16s per 100 feet super., at the foot of the Lake (GLADSTONE), whence they can be conveyed by way of Bendigo Gully or elsewhere.

J. D. ROSS,

Hawea Saw-mills.

WANAKA HOTEL, PEMBERGUE.

The above hotel, which is delightfully situated on the margin of the Wanaka Lake, offers to the tourist and pleasure-seeker advantages rarely to be met with elsewhere.

The scenery in the neighbourhood is exceedingly picturesque; and on an Island in the Lake there is excellent rabbit-shooting.



A large PLEASURE-BOAT is kept for the accommodation of visitors, and every care is taken to provide means for their enjoyment while staying at the WANAKA HOTEL, which is universally admitted to be one of the most comfortable and best conducted houses in the Province.

The Proprietor of the WANAKA HOTEL can confidently state that a more pleasant method of passing a few days free from the turmoil and care of business, than by a sojourn in the neighbourhood of the picturesque and romantic Wanaka Lake, can scarcely be imagined.

THE STORE,

In connection with the hotel, is well supplied with Groceries, Household Utensils, Ironmongery, Mining Tools, &c.

THEODORE RUSSELL,
Proprietor

Bannockburn

STUART'S FERRY

KAWARAU RIVER.



Main crossing-place between Cromwell and the Nevis for Waggon, Drays, Horses, and Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free.

THE FERRY HOTEL

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL AND STORE
Doctor's Flat, Bannockburn.
(On the main road to the Nevis).
JOHN RICHARDS . . . PROPRIETOR.
GROCERIES AND HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES
Of all descriptions kept in stock.
The Goods, being obtained direct from Dunedin, are retailed at CROMWELL PRICES.

SHEPHERD'S CREEK

HOTEL AND STORE,

BANNOCKBURN,

On the main road to the Nevis, 4½ miles from Cromwell.

J. Halliday, Proprietor.

An experienced Baker kept on the premises.

Wines, Spirits, and malt liquors of the best quality.

Ginger Beer and Cordial Manufacturer.

District Post Office.

Kawarau Gorge
SLICER'S ARMS HOTEL,
 KAWARAU GORGE,
JOHN WRIGHTSON,
 Proprietor.
 Good Accommodation for Travellers.
 GOOD STABLING. Three Loose Boxes, second to none.
 BILLIARDS.

DIGGER'S REST HOTEL,
 KAWARAU GORGE.
NICHOLAS CAMPION,
 Proprietor.
 Wines and Spirits of the best description.
 STABLING.

Nevis
NEVIS CROSSING STORE,
 (About five miles from the Nevis Township).

The undersigned, in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him since commencing business, begs to intimate that he continues to keep a large and well-selected stock of SPIRITS, WINES, and GROCERIES of the very best description.
 Goods regularly delivered throughout the surrounding district.

CHARLES KORLL.

BRITISH STORES.
Nevis.

EDWARD THOMPSON,
NORTHUMBERLAND ARMS HOTEL
 AND STORE,
 NEVIS.

A large and well-selected stock of GROCERIES of all descriptions constantly on hand.
 Goods delivered throughout the surrounding district on the shortest notice.

A commodious BILLIARD ROOM is now in course of erection, and will shortly be furnished with one of Alcock & Co.'s full-sized BILLIARD Tables.

The best accommodation for Travellers.
 Good Stabling.

Arrowtown
R. PRITCHARD,
 Wholesale and Retail Storekeeper,
 WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT,
 ARROWTOWN.

The largest and best-assorted stock of Wines, Spirits, Groceries, and Provisions in the district.
 A well-assorted stock of Boots and Shoes, Drapery, &c.

Agent for T. ROBINSON & Co., Agricultural Implement Manufacturers, Dunedin & Melbourne.

ROYAL OAK HOTEL,
 ARROWTOWN.

JAMES GARROWAY
 BEGS to announce to the inhabitants of the Wakatipu district, and the Public generally, that he has purchased the above premises from Mr W. Scoles, and that he intends to use his best endeavours to make the ROYAL OAK second to none of the Up-country Hotels for comfort and superior accommodation.
 The house contains Private Parlors, twelve comfortable Bedrooms, and the fare supplied is of the best description.
 There is an excellent range of stabling attached to the Hotel, which is under the immediate management of the Proprietor.

Loose Boxes for Entires.
 Large Billiard Table on the Premises.
 Every attention paid to the comfort of Travellers.

The Clyde and Queenstown Mail Coach changes horses at the ROYAL OAK.

EAST TAIERI HOTEL,
 EAST TAIERI.

R. FENWICK PROPRIETOR
 Wines and Spirits of the best brands.

Stopping Place of Cobb and Co.'s Coaches.

Queenstown
 [A CARD.]
D. POWELL,
 AUCTIONEER, &c.
 SALE ROOMS - BALLARAT-STREET,
 QUEENSTOWN.

OFFICE:
 Ballarat-st. (opposite the Family Hotel)

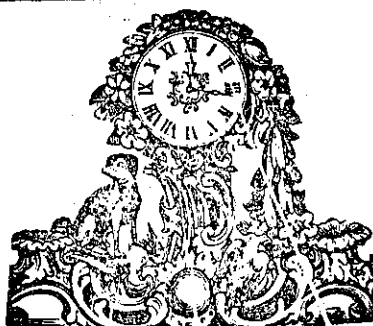
WAKATIP BREWERY,
 QUEENSTOWN.

MESSRS SURMAN & DAVIS
 Beg to inform hotel-keepers, and the general public of the Wakatipu, Cromwell, and surrounding districts, that they are now prepared to supply their

No. 4 and No. 5 ALES,
 (IN BULK OR BOTTLE)

Equal in strength, quality, and brilliancy to
 BASS'S BURTON ALES.

AGENTS FOR CROMWELL:
I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,
 General Merchants.



P. SMITH,
PRACTICAL WATCH & CLOCK MAKER,
 BEACH-STREET, QUEENSTOWN.

PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL,
 (Corner of Beach and Rees streets),
 QUEENSTOWN.
W. McLARN PROPRIETOR.

The above Hotel continues to keep up its reputation as one of the most comfortable in the Wakatipu district. The best accommodation for visitors and boarders.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING.

The only paddock accommodation in the district.
 The Pioneer of Sixpenny Drinks.

QUEEN'S ARMS HOTEL,
 QUEENSTOWN.

A. EICHARDT PROPRIETOR.
 Private Rooms for Families.

SAMPLE ROOMS FOR COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS.

A large and commodious STABLE, capable of accommodating twenty horses, has recently been completed, and has been pronounced by all who have visited the district as second to none in Dunedin. An experienced groom in attendance.

Booking Office for Cobb & Co.'s line of Coaches.

ROBERT BOYNE,
GENERAL STOREKEEPER
 AND NEWS AGENT,
 Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu.

A large stock of Groceries and other goods always on hand. Importer of English and Colonial Newspapers. Orders punctually attended to, and newspapers forwarded to any part of the district.

Agent for the CROMWELL ARGUS.

DOHEY'S UNION HOTEL,
 CORNER OF
 BALLARAT & REES STREETS,
 QUEENSTOWN.

The above is one of the oldest-established houses in Queenstown, and is celebrated for the superior quality of the Wines, Spirits, &c., kept in stock.

GOOD STABLING.

Clyde
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Begs to inform his friends and the public generally, that in accordance with the arrangements he made when in Britain, he is now receiving regular and frequent shipments of Fresh Goods of the choicest description, and of the newest and latest fashions, direct from the makers.

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 10 doz. Gold and Silver Hunting and Open-faced Watches
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Miscellaneous
CROMWELL
HACK SPRING MEETING.
 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1870.

STEWARDS:
 Mr W. Smitham
 „ J. A. Preshaw
 „ I. Loughnan
 „ D. A. Jolly
 „ J. Wrightson
 „ J. Marsh
 „ R. E. Dagg
 „ W. Shanly.

JUDGE:
 Mr J. Harding.

STARTER:
 Mr J. Dawkins.

CLERK OF THE COURSE:
 Mr O. Pierce.

First Race.—Maiden Plate
 A SWEEPSTAKE of 10s each, with 10 sovs. added. Open to all horses that have never won an advertised race (hack or other) up to the 1st September, 1870. Distance, three-quarters of a mile: heats. Weights: 3 years, 8st; 4 years, 9st 4lbs; 5 years and aged, 10st 1lb.

Hurdle Race.
 A SWEEPSTAKE of £1 each, with 15 sovs. added. Open to all horses. Distance, a mile and a-half, over five flights of Hurdles. No weight less than 11st.

Third Race.
 A SWEEPSTAKE of £1 each, with 15 sovs. added. Open to all horses. One-mile heats. No weight less than 10st.

Fourth Race.
 HURRY SCURRY.—A Sweepstake of 10s each, with — sovs. added.

No person to enter a horse unless a subscriber of one guinea to the Spring Meeting. The Dunstan Jockey Club Rules enforced. All events post entries.

M. FRAER,
 Hon. Sec.

To Miners and Others.

FOR SALE, a SIXTH SHARE in Bruce and Company's DEEP SINKING CLAIM, Smith's Gully, Bannockburn. This claim is in good working order, with all requisite appliances complete. For further particulars apply to **GEORGE ROBERTSON,** At the Claim.

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The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

The Library contains an extensive variety of Books in every department of literature; and about £60 worth of New Works is expected to arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual subscription, £1 1s; half-yearly, 15s; quarterly, 7s 6d.

Until further notice, a member of committee will be in attendance at the Library on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday Evenings, from half-past six to half-past eight o'clock, for the exchange of books.

NOTICE.
POISON for DOGS will be laid on MOUNT PISA STATION on and after this date.
 I. LOUGHNAN.
 Mount Pisa, 12th May 1870.—27to

NOTICE.
POISON for DOGS has been laid on the ARDGOUR STATION.
 JOHN M. McLEAN.

COAL CREEK HOTEL.
 HALF WAY BETWEEN
 CROMWELL AND LAWRENCE.

The above hotel possesses excellent accommodation for travellers, who may rely upon receiving every attention. The house is situated on the main road from Tuapeka to Cromwell, and affords a convenient stopping-place for horsemen and passengers by coach.

The Dunstan and Tuapeka Mail Coach passes the door twice a-week, and the daily increasing traffic sufficiently proves that this road is recognised as the best route from Dunedin to the northern Gold-Fields.

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RACES! RACES!

I. HALLENSTEIN AND CO.
 have just received an assortment of SPRING DRAPERY; also, a full supply of SADDLERY from Melbourne.

The Cromwell Hack Spring meeting takes place on Friday. There are four "events" on the programme, and we have every reason to expect that a large number of horses will be entered to contest them.

As will be observed from our report of the proceedings of the last meeting of the Town Council, a petition has been sent to the Provincial Government urging the necessity of immediately providing a Court-house and a Gaol at Cromwell. The Government has already promised that we shall have a new Court-house, and they cannot surely much longer delay its erection. Regarded as a matter of convenience to the district at large, as well as a saving of expense in the conveyance of prisoners to and from Clyde, the establishment of a gaol at Cromwell should, we think, meet with the prompt and favourable consideration of the Superintendent and his Executive.

On Tuesday, the 13th inst., Mr W. J. Barry sold by auction at Frankton, the remainder of Mr R. Lancaster's mob of cattle, comprising 227 head. A number had been disposed of here by private bargain, Mr Towan being the principal buyer. The cattle were mostly from the well-known herds of Mrs Deans, of Canterbury. Mr Lancaster informs us that 190 head were cleared at an average of £5 15s per head, and that the remainder were disposed of in one lot at fair prices. A pair of ponies, together with a buggy and harness, realised £37 10s—Mr James Garroway of Arrowtown, being the purchaser. There was a very large attendance at the sale, and the bidding was spirited. No doubt the well-known ability of Mr Barry as a stock salesman had a good deal to do with the very satisfactory result of Mr Lancaster's venture.

The Gazette announces that a sale of town lands in Cromwell will be held at the Court-house here on Thursday (to-morrow); and sales of allotments in the townships of Bendigo, Newcastle, Pembroke, and Gladstone, at Bendigo, on Friday.

In order to give as much as possible of the important news received from Europe by the last mail, we have to omit our reports of Court proceedings, as well as several other matters of local and general interest.

At the Resident Magistrate's Court, on the 14th inst., (before V. Pyke, Esq., R.M., and W. Smith, Esq., J.P.), James Muir was brought up on remand, charged with having committed a criminal offence. The prisoner was committed for trial at next session of Supreme Court.—The civil cases disposed of were of no public interest.

The Collins Variety Troupe have been performing at Clyde and Alexandra during the past few days, and we hear, with great success. They are expected to appear at Kild's Hall this week. The entertainment is varied and attractive, and has been very well patronised in the different towns visited during the present tour.

A trotting match for £15 a-side took place on the Clyde and Alexandra road on Friday morning, between Mr Simson's filly and a mare belonging to Mr R. Lancaster. The match was run in harness, the horses being driven by their respective owners. They started from Clyde, and Mr Lancaster pulled up in the second or third minute afterwards. Mr Simson's mare was about three-quarters of a mile behind. The distance traversed was about seven miles. The winner was afterwards sold by auction on the Dunstan race course for £40.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Council was held in the Town-hall on Monday evening last. The Mayor and all the Councillors were present.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting, and those of a special meeting held on the evening of Friday, the 9th inst., were read and confirmed.

Applications from Messrs Barr, Brown, and Kelly for leases of municipal sections were read, and, on the motion of Cr. Dugg, seconded by Cr. Whetter, were received for consideration.

For keeping the race in repair and the street-channels clear, three tenders were read: viz., Samuel Brooks, £1 per week; Christopher Thomas, 15s; and James A. Hurley, 14s. The last-mentioned tender was accepted.

The account of Mr James Taylor (£3 12s) was passed for payment; and the Town Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Warren, of Queens-town, in reference to a disputed item in his account.

A letter was read from the Tuapeka Progress Committee, asking the co-operation of the Cromwell Council in procuring a continuation of the Clutha railway from Tokomairiro to Tuapeka, and also in procuring a portion of the Four Million Loan for the supply of water to the Otago Gold-fields.—The receipt of the letter was ordered to be acknowledged.

A letter, signed by twenty-one residents, was handed in, asking that the Council would do something towards the formation of Murray-street.

The Mayor thought it would be better to leave the matter over until the Council had sufficient funds to do the work properly; and the Town Clerk was instructed to reply to the effect that the matter would receive the attention of the Council when the Government subsidy was received.

The Town Clerk was instructed to request the auditors to audit the books for the past year; and, when that has been done, to write to the Government for the subsidy.

On the motion of Cr. Whetter, seconded by Cr. Brown, the Town Clerk was instructed to draw up a memorial to the Government, requesting the immediate erection of the new Court-house, and showing the advisability of the gaol for the Dunstan district being erected at Cromwell.

It was resolved on the motion of Cr. Brown, seconded by Cr. Dawkins, "That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Government, and request them to erect the new Court-house on part of section 1, block vii., being municipal reserve, situated alongside the Council Chamber; and to state that the Council would exchange the proposed site for the site of the present Court-house (section 3, block iii.)."

The Clerk was also instructed to write to the

Chief Postmaster, requesting him to have the Post-office erected on the site of the present one (sections 4 and 5, block iii.), instead of on the municipal reserve set aside for the erection of public buildings; and to the Waste Land Board, requesting that a reserve may be set aside for the erection of an Episcopal Church.

The site of the proposed reparation ground was fixed along the west bank of the Clutha River, starting outside the town boundary, and going up towards the Lower Flat; and the Mayor said he would see Mr Bews, the District Engineer, and request him to make a tracing of it.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the Provincial Secretary, asking him if the bye-laws sent to the Provincial Council two or three sessions ago are still in the possession of the Government; and if so, requesting that they may be brought before the special meeting of the Council, which is to be held three weeks hence.

BENDIGO REEFS.

(From a Correspondent.)

The Bendigo Company have engaged additional hands at their reefs, and have two more engines employed. The three teams now at work are fully occupied in conveying stone to the machines. The battery (ten stampers) is in first-rate working order, and over 130 tons per week is being put through. The result of last cleaning-up is stated to have been highly satisfactory to the shareholders.

In the Morning Star claim, the contractors have sunk the shaft to a depth of 133 feet.

In the adjacent claim, No. 2 West, the contractors have commenced sinking.

The Aurora Company have again commenced crushing, and additional hands have been taken on for the night shift. Five stampers only are at present crushing at this company's claim.

Messrs Kelsall and Wilson (No. 2 west of the Aurora), are about placing a wire rope across the deep gully between their claim and the Aurora battery, with the object of conveying to the latter about thirty tons of quartz as a trial crushing.

Goldough's Reef.—In excavating for the erection of the machinery, a new reef was discovered. It runs parallel with the prospecting claim, and about 250 feet north of it.

D. McLoughlan's reef looks promising. Stone is being got out for a trial crushing.

NOTES FROM THE NEVIS.

(From our own Correspondent.)

September 12, 1870.

I see some person signing himself a "Nevis Man," has found fault with my stating that the movement for erecting a public library at the Nevis would stand over until the winter was past, and yet he only prophesies that the building may be ready sometime about the Christmas holidays. He states that subscription lists show a sum of nearly £30. From what I hear from some of the committee-men, no money has been collected as yet; besides I don't think a treasurer has been appointed. As to the population decreasing, eight or ten men out of a community of some 60 or 70 persons is an appreciable decrease. The public meeting which a "Nevis Man" mentions was held without notice, and one man was called up to explain what the meeting was held for, and he stated that it was called for the purpose of appointing a Committee to collect subscriptions for erecting a building suitable for holding Divine worship in. This was overruled. Some few that were in favor of a library held a meeting on the following night by themselves, and appointed a committee, and I have no doubt they will be enabled to put up a building for a library, but not before the winter is past. The preference given to a public library against a place of worship is, that it is expected the Government will subsidise the one and not the other. As to the intellectual amusement against the gin-shops, that's twaddle. My notes have been few lately: I have not endeavoured to pass many of them upon the public, but those I do pass through the columns of the Argus are genuine. If any one comes to the Nevis, and describes it anything better than an increasing Chinese settlement, he will scarcely be stating the truth.

If you will allow me, there are one or two subjects of more importance than public libraries which I should like to see the people interest themselves about.—Immigration, Railways, Government Loans, and such like matters. Immigration would require but trifling pecuniary aid if the province was made sufficiently attractive. Why not let the people buy land where they may choose to select it, instead of where the "quater permits"? The outcry "want of labor" is not borne out by facts; but if Chinese immigration was stopped, the diggings would maintain a great many of our countrymen who will otherwise be unable to procure a living. By what I see published about Thompson's traction engine, it might be made available for all traffic requirements for years to come. A private company might be formed for the purpose of testing its utility. Another matter for serious consideration is the reckless manner of getting into debt the Government are displaying, by contracting loans of enormous sums of money, the interest of which will eventually absorb the whole of the revenue, and the province will be in a worse position than ever. Members of the Council think they do their duty when they obtain grants of money or subsidies for various works and purposes in the districts that election, but if the people would only consider that the money has to be borrowed, and that they have to subscribe to the payment of the interest, they would see that it is not a right policy. The general feeling is to receive in grants of money from Government as much given to be scrambled for, and one cry is, such and such a district has got so many hundred pounds, why should not we in another district get the same?

Your new Mayor in one of his speeches said something about Criminal Sessions being held up-country, instead of sending criminal cases with the whole batch of prosecutors, witnesses, and local staff, down to Pukekohe. I think if a sessional judge is too much to ask for, or to expect, the prisoners might as well be tried at home, and sent down to town to receive their sentences. There will be a nice little bill for the gold robbery prosecution through the negligence of some of the officials in authority.

DUNSTAN SPRING MEETING.

The annual hack races took place on the Dunstan Course on Friday and Saturday last, in the presence of between two and three hundred spectators. Cromwell furnished a considerable number of visitors to the course, and Alexandra, Blacks, Drybrook, and the Nevis were likewise represented. The weather was delightful, and the roads, as well as the race-course, were singularly free from dust. It was nearly two o'clock when the horses entered for the first race were brought to the starting post; and the intervals between the races were unusually long and tedious. The events, however, were very well contested, and everyone seemed to enjoy the day's proceedings. The first race was the

MAIDEN PLATE, of 10 sovs. Three-quarters of a mile. Second horse to receive amount of entrance-money (10s. each).

Mr Beresford's ch m Cressidore, 3 yrs., 8st. 1lb.	(Edwards)	1
Mr Hayes' gm Kate, 3 yrs., 10st. 4lb (Swan)		2
Mr T. A. Fraser's blk g Gipsy, 3 yrs., 8st 4lb		3
Mr W. Fraser's r g Hector, 3 yrs., 8st		4
Mr H. Handyside's Comet, 4 yrs., 9st		0
Mr C. P. Beck's g g Magic, 3 yrs., 8st		0
Mr Atfield's Wire-in colt, 3 yrs., 8st		0

Cressidore started off with the lead, which she maintained for a quarter of a mile, and was then challenged and passed by Kate. A struggle ensued between the two, and the grey succeeded in leaving her opponent a couple of lengths astern. Hector and Gipsy then passed Cressidore, joined Kate, and endeavored to shake her off; but the Kawarau Gorge favourite was not to be so easily disposed of. The thirty-two lbs. over weight, however, told against her in the last quarter of a mile; and Cressidore, who had evidently been held in, passed the trio and came in a winner by about six lengths—Kate second, Gipsy and Hector third and fourth, and the other three a long way in the rear.

HURDLE RACE, of 15 sovs. One mile and a half, over five flights of hurdles. No weight under 11st. Second horse to receive half of entrance-money.

Mr R. M'Moran's blk h Doctor Black (Gray)	1
Mr C. Turnbull's bl g Te Kooti	(Owner) 2
Mr T. A. Fraser's b h Daniel	(Owner) 0

Te Kooti and Doctor Black went off together, and kept company until they reached the fourth hurdle, when the Doctor assumed the lead, and won by two lengths. Daniel never had a chance throughout the race. All three took their leaps in excellent style.

HANDICAP RACE, of 25 sovs. One mile and a half. Second horse to receive one-third of entrance-money (30s. each).

Mr Newton's bl g Tonic, 8st. 1lb. (Edwards)	1
Mr Cox's b m Madam, 7st. 12lb.	2
Mr Beresford's ch m Cressidore, 8st.	3
Mr Smitham's ch g Rip, 8st. 7lb.	4
Mr Dawkins' g m Nelly Grey, 9st. 3lb.	0
Mr —'s Welcome, 7st. 6lb.	0

Madam was the first to show in front, and it was only after a hard struggle that she was passed by Tonic (a well-known Nevis horse), who carried off first honours.

HACK RACE, of 15 sovs. Three-quarters of a mile; heats. No weight under 11st. One-half of entrance-money to go to second horse.

Mr T. A. Fraser's m Kate	(Owner) 1
Mr R. Taylor's b g Stanley	2
Mr R. M'Moran's ch g Roderick	3

Harkaway, Jenny, Odd Stockings, Venus, and Doollean Buck also started.

Kate won, after an exciting race, by a length. Stanley and Roderick both claimed the second money, and it was decided they should run over again,—the result being that Roderick won.

The Dunstan Jockey Club held a meeting on Friday evening, when it was arranged to have three additional races on Saturday. The Club voted £20 towards the funds. The results of the races were as follow:—

Madam	HANDICAP.	1
Madam	HOSPITAL RACE.	1
Madam	CONSOLATION HANDICAP.	1
Roderick		1

MANUHERIKIA.

(From a Correspondent.)

The sluice channel at Blacks is completed, but for some reason, which I cannot explain, the flushing channel is not yet commenced; and before that is completed, the former is useless. I am sorry to see so much apathy displayed in this matter, after such an amount of money having been expended by the inhabitants and the Government. When this work is fully completed, it will be a great boon to the mining community, more especially to the owners of water-races. The Suspension Water-Race Company have just completed their washing-up. I have not learnt the exact amount of gold obtained, but I was informed by one of the shareholders that they are well satisfied with the results. The Golden Company, who let almost the whole of their water, are getting £3 per sluice head for it, and they have a plentiful supply the whole year round. The vexed question of running the Clutha river on the west side of the Manuherikia River is not yet settled. No doubt it would be a great help to the business men to have to cross their property to the other side of the river; but at the same time it would be a great benefit to the mining community, as easily to the sluices, as the present side of the township would be a help of tailings.

At the same time, the miners on the whole are doing well, and it has been one of the best seasons for water that ever German Hill enjoyed. Over and over again they are washing up in the beginning of next month, and expect several hundred ounces of gold. They have an excellent method of working, with plenty of fall, which, I am sorry to say, is not enjoyed by the majority of all mining claims.

At Tinker's Gully, mining operations are going on right merrily. Holmes and party some time since had a law-suit between the partners, where a receiver was appointed, and last Court-day an account of the gold was to be handed in to the Warlen at Blacks, when an order would have been made for a dividend to be declared.

but owing to the indisposition of the Warlen, who could not attend that day, the gold had to be lodged in the Bank. This party expect to have an excellent washing-up, and I trust they will not be disappointed, for they will require all they can get to square matters. The Mountain Race Company have not yet completed their wash-up, but they sold about one hundred ounces of gold on Thursday last, and expect as much more, which will be a very satisfactory yield.

At Drybrook, the whole of the water-races are well supplied, but I have no washings-up to chronicle. I can state, however, that mining affairs generally are healthy.

The farmers at Tiger Hill and Blacks are as busy as bees, ploughing and sowing oats, and are all in the highest spirits at the rise in the price of oats. There will be a larger breadth of ground put under crop this year than in any previous one; still, I am quite sure we cannot grow enough for the consumption. If the Government would be more liberal in throwing open the land, we would soon grow enough for our own consumption, and at the same time increase our population.

THE SAN FRANCISCO MAIL.

AUCKLAND, Sept. 13.

The special San Francisco telegraphic message for the New Zealand Press Telegraphic Association arrived by the s.s. Wonga Wonga to-day from Honolulu.

THE WAR IN EUROPE.

On August 5th, the Prussians gained a battle, and captured Weissenburg. On the 5th, they advanced on Hagenau, and on that and the following day a great battle took place, in which M'Mahon was defeated. The Prussians suddenly advanced through a forest which Marshal M'Mahon wished to burn as a precautionary measure, but was overruled by Napoleon, and was forced to fall back in consequence. Frossard's corps was also defeated, and compelled to retreat on Metz.

Midnight, August 10.

A great battle is considered imminent. Strasburg is surrounded by 50,000 troops, chiefly South Germans.

The Prussians are advancing from Saar-louis and Trèves, and are expected to make an immediate attack on the French at Metz. The French losses amount to 30,000 men.

Paris is in a state of tumult, the people calling for arms, and for all the soldiers to be sent to the front. They also call upon Napoleon to resign the command, and for the Assembly to rule in his stead. This he refuses to do; suppresses the Republican journals; and forms a new Ministry of a reactionary character.

Paris is declared to be in a state of siege, and cries for the Emperor to return thither. He replies that he will not return except as dead or victorious.

The Assembly is in a state of great disorder, and scenes of violence are frequent.

The Bill providing for the national defence has been adopted, and the payment of all commercial contracts has been postponed by decree for one month, "to leave all minds free to defend the country."

Unless a victory is speedily gained, a revolution is imminent.

The Emperor is reported to be ill, and the Empress and the Prince Imperial are to be sent to a safer place of refuge.

A subsequent telegram states that the Prince Imperial has arrived at the French Legation in London with the Empress's jewels. (†)

The Prussians are said to have 800,000 men in the field, and the needle gun has proved superior to the Chassepot.

The French Assembly is displeased with the new Ministry. It proposes to displace it, and substitute for it a new one of their own under De Trochin.

France has evacuated Rome.

The Emperor Napoleon's first despatch to the Empress, dated August 2, says:—"General Frossard with one division defeated three divisions of the enemy. Louis has received his baptism of fire. He was admirably cool, and a little impressed."

Louis and I were in front when the bullets fell about us. Louis is keeping a bullet which he picked up on the field. The soldiers are delighted at his tranquility. We lost one officer and 10 men."

When reverses came, the French Ministry suppressed the news, but at last the Emperor's despatches admitted that serious defeats had been sustained, though he declared all was not lost, and called upon France to rise as one man, and save their country.

The English Parliament is prorogued. The Queen's speech referred to a new treaty, in which France, Prussia, and all the other great powers promised to support the neutrality of Belgium. The British Government, therefore, did not think it necessary to arm.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

Denmark sanctions the use of Heligoland as a French basis of operations, and is expected to join France, as also Italy.

Chamberlain (†) has joined the Emperor Napoleon's staff.

OCCASIONAL NOTES FROM THE METROPOLIS.—No. IX.

(Unavoidably held over from our last.)

Our Port Chalmers neighbors are working themselves into a great state of excitement, and going to work in the most extravagant and lavish manner in the collecting and voting of funds, for the purpose of giving his Honor the Superintendent a fitting reception on his return from the North. The Port Chalmers Town Council, in the most reckless manner, lately voted £5 (!) to aid in the getting-up of some brilliant demonstration by the people, in order to show his Honor that the signal services he has rendered the province in the performance of his legislative duties are not unappreciated or unrecognised. The booming of cannon is to reverberate among the wooded hills of our seaport, bunting is to float in the breeze *ad libitum*, luncheons for the purpose of enabling enthusiastic citizens to make and applaud laudatory and flattering speeches, and to guzzle and drink to their hearts' content at the rate of 10s 6d per head, are to be held, and jollity, dissipation, and "bunkum" generally are to prevail and reign paramount on the festive occasion. Verily, great is Mac of the Otagans! Dunedin citizens have not as yet caught the infection from their marine neighbors; but probably if our City Council were to take the initiative, and recklessly vote a large sum from the public funds, in imitation of their Port Chalmers confrères, the general public would take up the matter. Dunedin is not usually behind in these absurdities—vide the late cradle presentation to his Worship the Mayor. Because his W. the M. happens to receive an addition to his family about a month after his election to the office, nothing will do for a few insane individuals but an appeal to the (generally empty) pockets of the ratepayers for the purpose of buying a silver cradle for the infantile wonder. For some reason or other, best known to the promoters of the absurdity, a silk-covered wicker-work cradle is substituted, and a silver tea-service is purchased with the remaining cash as a "testimonial" to his Worship. The usual quantity of "bunkum" is jerked out on the occasion of the presentation, by the highly honored individual to whose lot has fallen the "pleasant duty of presenting this small token of the esteem, &c., &c., in which the recipient is held by his fellow-citizens," the happy recipient of his fellow-citizens' favors, with heart-felt emotions, expresses his deep sense of the great kindness he has ever received at their hands, which will be remembered with feelings of gratefulness as long as he continues an inhabitant of this mundane sphere, &c., &c.; the enthusiastic subscribers and spectators give three cheers for the speaker, and another for the before-mentioned infantile wonder; and a general dispersion then takes place, each individual no doubt eminently satisfied with the part he has played in the farce. Yea, truly we are a gullible people, the emotional part of whose nature is easily aroused.

The majesty of the law has been upheld in our Supreme Court. Beware, ye people, how ye allow your feelings to get the better of your discretion when within the sacred precincts of our justice halls! At the conclusion of the trial of McLennan for the Clyde gold robbery, the audience audibly expressed their satisfaction at the acquittal of the prisoner by stamping of feet and faint cheering. This was not to be tolerated; and the police being unable to single out any special individual guilty of the contempt of Court which their actions were supposed to imply, a small boy was "collared" by the sheriff, having been detected by that lynx-eyed officer in the act of giving a suppressed cheer. The trembling culprit was charged with the heinous misdemeanor before-mentioned, and the Judge, with severe aspect, sentenced the audacious youth to twenty-four hours' imprisonment. He was conducted to a cell in the goal, but was released shortly afterwards by direction of the Judge—the commutation of his sentence being no doubt duly appreciated by the prisoner. The scene was eminently amusing, and provocative of much mirth—outside the Court-house. Great satisfaction is expressed in Dunedin at the turn which affairs took in the conviction of the approver Ronnie. The part which he took in endeavoring to secure the conviction of his former shipmate and companion was not one calculated to rouse the sympathies of the public in his favor, and when he himself was taken out of the witness-box and placed in the dock, universal satisfaction, only equalled by that felt at the result of the trial, was expressed. I hope he may enjoy his six years of labor on the public works of the province which the residents in the stone masonry in Guelph-street devote their attention to.

Mr J. G. S. Grant has published the last number of the *Delphic Oracle*, the only periodical in the Southern Hemisphere which contains matter worth reading; at least, so says the eccentric author. Certainly the writings in the *Oracle* are peculiar and unique. Miugled with a considerable amount of the greatest "bosh" that ever spoiled good paper, there are many original thoughts and good articles, which are well worth perusal. The author intends to get the numbers bound together. A volume of about 400 pages will be the result; and if any of your Cromwell readers, Mr Editor, wish to learn Mr Grant's opinion of Otago's leading men, together with his peculiar and jaundiced views of things in general, they will have an opportunity of doing so. Although there are many foul blots which mar the pages of the *Oracle*, yet in some of his papers the author shews that he has a mind capable of producing sound sense and original thoughts on many subjects.

ARCANUM.

"Yaller Dogs."

Mark Twain's History of the Founder of the Family and his Descendants.

When Noah disembarked at Ararat he had scarcely touched the pier when he proceeded to tally his passengers. He had just checked his last item to the list—a Mr and Mrs Bedbug—when the cringeing figure of a quadruped came sneaking down the gang-plank with his tail between his legs. "Drat it, if there ain't that yaller dog!" says Noah, aiming a vicious kick with his brogan at the brute. But, with a facility born of long and bitter experience, the brute dodged the projectile, ejaculating "ki-vi," which is Syriac for "declined with thanks," or "not for Joe," he disappeared, while Noah, who had his sea-legs on, was unable to recover his equilibrium, and sat down with emphasis on the back of his head.

Noah arose, and, in accordance with the style prevalent among the patriarchs, he proceeded to soothe his affronted dignity, by pronouncing a variegated anathema upon the yaller dog, which had characteristically sneaked unobserved on board, in the confusion of putting to sea, and capsize the captain at the first port. "Ie cursed that dog in body, limb, bark, hide, hair, tail, and wag, and all his generations, relations, and kindred, by consanguinity or affinity, and his heirs and assigns. He cursed him with endless hunger, with perpetual fear, with perennial laziness, with hopeless mange, with incessant fleas, and with his tail between his legs. He closed his stock of maledictions by a sparkling display of pyrotechnics, from the demoralising effect of which the "yaller dog" has never recovered, with this curse sticking to him like a revenue stamp, the yaller dog can't help being "cursed." He don't try to help it. He follows Noah's programme with sneaking fidelity. He is an Ishmaelite among dogs. He receives the most oppressive courtesies in the form of brick-bats, boots, and hot water, which make his life an animated target excursion. He boards around like a district school teacher, and it is meal time with him twenty-four hours in the day. The rest of the time he hankers after something to eat. He is too omnivorous for an epicure. Cram him at Delmonico's, and he would hunger for dessert from an Albany boarding-house.

He can't be utilised. He is too tired. As a swill-cart locomotive, a hunter, or a sentinel, he is an ignominious failure. The dog-churn was a strategic attempt to employ his waste energies, but he hadn't any waste energies, and butter had too much self-respect to "come" at his persuasion. So the dog-churn was dropped.

No sausage-maker dare foreclose his lien on the yaller dog, lest his customers—no longer "soothed and sustained by an unfaltering trust"—transfer their patronage to someless audacious dealer. The savages, who admire baked dog, and who can even attack tripe and explore the mysteries of hash, without dismay, acknowledged the yaller dog to be too much for their gastric intrepidity.

He always manages to belong to a ragged, tobacco-chewing, whisky-drinking master, whose business is swapping dogs and evading the dog tax. The yaller dog is acquainted with himself, and he enjoys the intimacy with edifying contempt. He slinks along through life, on a diagonal dog-trot, as in doubt as to which end of him is entitled to the precedence. He is always pervaded by a hung dog sense of guilt, and when retributive tinware is fastened to his tail, he "flies from the wrath to come" with a horrified celerity which ought to be very suggestive to two legged sinners of a similar ordeal in store for them.

The yaller dog is—well, to speak in italics, he is a *stouch*.

The Effects of the War.

[The Times, July 16.]

The aim of France in this deplorable war is well known. She claims the left bank of the Rhine. On the other hand, Prussia has often protested that if she was ever driven to take the field against France, she would not lay down her sword till the ancient German provinces of Alsace and Lorraine were restored to the Fatherland. We know, therefore, the primary cause and real aim of the war. The champions in the lists are only two, and the prize lies within each other's territory. Could their differences be settled by arbitration, or the contest be decided by one great battle, no other country in Europe need be affected by the change. This amounts to saying that no State in Europe need join in the fray, or, in other words, that the war can be localised. And yet what probabilities are there of a long-continued observance of the laws of neutrality? Belgium and Holland, the countries most immediately exposed to the trampling of the contending hosts, have lost no time in declaring that they will stand on their independent rights and the inviolability of their territory. But there is hardly a precedent of a war being waged on the Rhine without the immediate occupation of those fertile plains; and the unprincipled attempt to involve the King of the Belgians in the Hohenzollern quarrel opens no very cheering prospect before those who rely on the sacredness of international treaties as a safeguard to Flanders or Luxembourg. On the other hand, Austria, under the influence of Von Bismarck, hastens to declare that she will keep aloof from the strife so long as two combatants alone are in the field, but "not if a third power takes part in the struggle"—an intimation which seems mainly aimed at Denmark or Italy, should those States look upon the concentration of French and German forces on the Rhine as a favourable opportunity either for an inroad into Schleswig or an attempt upon Peter's patrimony. Till something decisive has been achieved on the Rhine, nothing is more likely than that there may be peace on the Danube, on the Tiber, and the Elbe. It is only when exhaustion sets in on either side that the rancours, jealousies, and ambitions of bystanders will have full play. Unless powerfully aided by Russia, it is difficult to imagine that Austria will long remain neutral in a struggle, the main object of which is "Vengeance for Sadowa;" nor is it very certain that all the other sufferers from that victory—Hanover, Hesse, Frankfurt, Saxony, Bavaria, Warburg—will not rise in full cry against Prussia the moment she exhibits any signs of faintness in her death-grapple with her chief antagonist. France has doubtless reckoned on all this chapter of accidents, and she will exert herself to the utmost to insure a first advantage. But many will feel inclined to back German steadfastness against French impetuosity, and will have little hesitation in looking upon another Jena only as the natural forerunner of another Leipzig. Few men will be so ingenuous as to imagine that the conscientiousness of a righteous cause will be of much avail against the preponderance of big battalions. Yet there can be no doubt as to the side on which the world's sympathies will be enlisted, and, whatever may on former occasions have been the offences of Prussia, she will in this instance have on her side all that moral support which is seldom denied to those who take up arms in self-defence. It is otherwise with France, whom nothing short of a long, victorious career will rehabilitate in European opinion. It is still difficult to conceive what infatuation can have committed the Emperor Napoleon to a course which is as impolitic as it is criminal. We cannot admit that foreign war was prompted by the necessity of guarding against the disturbance at home. The *Plébiscite* has re-established Imperial omnipotence in France. In Emile Olivier, Napoleon III. has found as passive and as servicable an instrument as in the more brilliant and genial Rouher. Legal opposition showed utter incapacity for organisation, and ultra-democracy was dying of its own rage. What better foundation to his throne could the Emperor wish for than his eight millions of peasant votes? Or how could France lie more helplessly at his discretion? It was, it seems, fated that the ideas of the First Empire should from beginning to end be the bane of the second. The Emperor himself, however, had drawn the proper line of distinction that was to separate the two epochs. The empire of the 2nd of December was to be peace, and Napoleon the Third had good reason to doubt the popularity even of his successful and not wholly unrighteous wars. But the Prussian war now opening, will, when the first feverish enthusiasm abates, appear indefensible even to the most selfish and vain-glorious patriotism. It is important that the Emperor should act upon his favorite maxim—"strike soon and strike hard." If the expenditure and hardships of the campaign be prolonged, the French people and the French army itself will find that even the Rhine may be bought too dearly. Woe to the Emperor if the ardour of his troops has time to abate—if there is anything like a check in the enterprise—still worse a repulse. There is no possible return for him, except as a conqueror, and a conqueror on the scale to which Austerlitz and Wagram accustomed his uncle's subjects. But it is very questionable whether one Solferino will dispose of Prussia as easily as did Austerlitz; and even were Prussia utterly overcome, forces may be found drawn up behind her in second line.

The Taieri Fasting Girl.

[From the Echo.]

We have lately heard many and strange stories with reference to the "Taieri fasting girl," more particularly as regards the religious phase of the phenomena manifested in her. We have been told by some that she lays claim to having experienced a temporary separation of the soul and body; that during that time she in spirit visited the celestial gates; that she was engaged in a personal conflict with the arch-enemy; and that, now that body and soul are once more wedded, she speaks with the tongue of an angel, and sings seraph songs taught her in the realms of the blest. For the purpose of satisfying ourselves and enlightening our readers on the real facts of the case, we have recently taken an opportunity of visiting Maungatua, conversing with her, and making strict enquiries in the neighborhood as to the *bona fides* of these rumours. On Tuesday evening we arrived in the neighborhood, and visited Mr Ross's house. We found about 30 people assembled, amongst whom were a minister of the Presbyterian Church, and a lay preacher of another denomination. We received a hearty welcome from the father and mother of the invalid girl, but as a prayer-meeting was held in the house immediately after our arrival, we had not then the opportunity afforded us of holding much conversation with Miss Ross. After the close of the meeting, we were invited to speak to her, but it was evident that she was much exhausted with the excitement of the day, and so we curtailed our interview, promising ourselves a longer one on a more opportune occasion. The next morning we again visited her, and though we saw and heard very much to admire and marvel at, all pretences to the supernatural or miraculous were absent from her conversation. She described the vision that she had seen not as a reality, but as something which was as vivid as a reality. The principal, and possibly the most fascinating features of her conversation were its earnestness and simplicity. Far from pretending to be endowed with extraordinary powers in the interpretation of Scripture, she frankly acknowledged that she was a poor, ignorant, unlearned girl, who could not herself understand many of the things that she read. We were prepared, from the report that we had heard, to encounter a second Johanna Southcote—a would-be prophetess, possibly somewhat dogmatic in her sentiments. So far as regards herself, the genuineness of the views she enunciated cannot for one moment be doubted by her hearers. She most certainly speaks what she believes, and is anxious for all mankind to possess a faith similar to her own. Still, there is nothing obtrusive about her manner: her enthusiasm assumes a very mild and quiet form, and she seems to be more richly endowed with the two most important and prominent of the virtues taught by the Christian religion, viz., humility and charity, than the greater proportion of professing Christians and Christian ministers of the present day are. The trance which has been so greatly exaggerated in all quarters may be ascribed to perfect natural causes. Long before the mysterious sleep into which she fell, Miss Ross was impressed with strong religious views. It is, we are informed, altogether false that her present religious feelings are the result of the vision that she has seen; and it is more reasonable to believe that this vision was only a vivid dream (the duration of which, like that of most dreams, is extremely doubtful) which was the offspring of those religious sentiments that, for some time previous to her sleep, had formed part of her nature and existence. This dream has, in its turn, changed the current of her life; without knowing whether the vision was real or ideal, she is in her own mind convinced by its means of the correctness of her views with regard to the faith which she holds, and she tries (and with much success in some instances) to convert others to her way of thinking, and to the enjoyment of the same peace of mind. With regard to the seraph songs which issue from her lips, we had not an opportunity of hearing a specimen, but we are informed on the most creditable grounds that when she does sing it is in a weak, but rather sweet voice; the melodies being those which she has been accustomed to hear from her earliest childhood, but not always accurately rendered—either as regards time or tune. We may add that Miss Ross declared to us her perfect inability to describe either the entrance to the heavenly kingdom, or the form of the tempter; she merely remembers the one as being very glorious indeed, and the other as terrible and abhorrent in the extreme. The phenomena attending this case are not, however, wanting in miraculous elements, though these are in connection with the physical, and not the religious features of the case. There can be no doubt that since the beginning of the year the girl has partaken of not a single pound of solid food, and an infinitely small amount of nutriment of any kind. Under these circumstances we naturally expected to see some signs of wasting away, attenuated hands, and hollow cheeks, but on the contrary, the one hand which still possesses power (the whole of the girl's left side is paralysed) is strong and very healthy-looking, and covered with a fair proportion of flesh. The face is not that of a confirmed invalid, signs of suffering are altogether wanting from it, and the expression that it wears is one of peace rather than resignation. Notwithstanding the absence of all palpable means of recruiting health and strength, she seems capable of undergoing a large amount of fatigue, as is evinced by the large number of interviews which she daily holds with those who are comparative or entire strangers to her. It is another remarkable feature of the case that, before her illness, this girl, of an exceedingly bashful and nervous disposition, terrified at meeting an unknown gaze, but since she has awakened from her long sleep, she is anxious and eager to see as many as possible. Considering all the features of this marvellous case, it is hardly to be wondered at that the ignorant and unlettered should have endowed it with a supernatural halo of glory. The circumstances of the sleep, the trance, the awakening and the remarkable clearness and earnestness with which she now expresses herself, would all naturally lead them to one conclusion. We cannot blame them for their supposition, and we cannot be surprised that the rumours concerning Miss Ross have grown a little in their journey from Maungatua to Dunedin.

THE STEPMOTHER.

BY AMY.

CHAPTER FIRST.

'Poor dear child!'
'She don't know what's in store for her!'
'It's well she can sing!'

Clara Melton checked her song abruptly, and looked from one to the other of her assembled relatives with questioning eyes of wonder. She was a tall, pretty girl of fifteen, and giving promise, in her regular features, deep violet-grey eyes, and exquisitely-tinted complexion, of rare beauty, when she should be a little older. The scene was the wide vine-festooned verandah of a handsome country house, from which extended a velvet-smooth lawn, dotted with oddly-shaped flower-beds and groups of shrubbery—Clara's home.

'Aunt Patience, what do you mean?' asked the girl, abruptly. 'What is in store for me?'

'Has not her father told her, poor thing?' said one of the old maids, in a stage whisper.

'Told me what, Miss Solomon?'

'Hush, Clara, my love; don't get excited,' said old Mrs Parker, soothingly. 'It's your stepmother—she's expected home to-night, you know.'

'Is that all! Why, papa wrote me that a week ago,' exclaimed the girl, drawing a long breath of relief.

'Of course, my dear, you will keep your own keys,' said Mrs Parker. 'These stepmothers are the most prying creatures in existence!'

Clara coloured indignantly.

'I don't think she will ask me for my keys, mamma.'

'Be sure, my dear,' croaked Aunt Patience, 'to call her nothing but Mrs Melton. She will expect you to say "mamma," but that—'

'Is of course out of the question,' said Clara, haughtily.

'I should not wonder one grain if she forbid you having any beaux,' murmured Miss Solomon, in a thoughtful little 'aside.' 'These pretty young stepmothers can't bear seeing other girls get attention when they are past it themselves.'

'Indeed, Cousin Solomon, you are entirely mistaken there,' said Clara, biting her lips, and drawing herself up. 'I shall have what company I please.'

The three old ladies shook their heads simultaneously.

'You don't know what it is to have a stepmother, Clara. I should think Henry Melton would have his daughter's interests more at heart!'

Up to this time Clara had looked forward to the coming of her fair young stepmother with happy anticipation. But somehow Aunt Patience, Cousin Solomon, and Mrs Parker, had changed the whole current of her nature. Was it really true that this stepmother would be a spy, a marplot, a rival in her father's affections?

And when the three old ladies rolled up their knitting, and nuzzled their heads, and went home, warning Clara 'to behave with a proper spirit,' the girl stood looking after them, until the purple sunset made a dazzling mist before her eyes, and she felt, oh, so unutterably lonely.

CHAPTER SECOND.

'And this is my new daughter—sister, I should rather say.'

The face into which Clara looked was very beautiful and very winning, but her heart was effectually steeled against its pleading glance.

'I believe your rooms are quite ready, Mrs Melton.'

Mrs Melton followed the maid up-stairs, feeling as if her husband's daughter were a statue of ice!

'You receive your stepmother very coldly, Clara,' said Mr Melton, pausing at the foot of the stairs. 'It would have gratified me very much if you yourself would have conducted her to her rooms, as she is a stranger here, and—'

'I am not a servant,' said Clara, frigidly, and her father said no more.

When Mrs Melton came down, a few minutes later, Clara was almost tempted to love her in spite of everything, so pretty and winning was she—a bright little brunette, with melting, hazel-brown eyes, peach-like complexion, and lips that seemed made only to smile.

'She is my stepmother,' said Clara to herself, and she grew colder every moment.

The days, and weeks, and months passed away. Aunt Patience and Mrs Parker wagged their capped heads ominously.

She was a great deal too young and too pretty. They couldn't imagine what Henry Melton was thinking about when he brought home such a child as that for a wife! Clara would find trouble with her yet—see if she didn't.

'Clara, dearest,' said Mrs Melton, one morning as Clara sauntered down to the breakfast table rather late and sleepy, 'your papa and I were speaking about that young Matthew who was here last night: we do not exactly like his manners and appearance. Are you very anxious that he should continue his visits here?'

'I like Mr Matthew,' said Clara, indifferently, 'and I shall continue to receive his visits.'

'But, Clara, I think—'

'The fact that you are my stepmother gives you no authority over me and my visitors,' said Clara, insolently. 'Mrs Parker thinks I am quite old enough to select my own society.'

Mrs Melton made no reply; but Clara knew that she was bitterly wounded, and she rejoiced in her vain, wilful little heart.

'You were quite right, my dear,' said Aunt Patience, when she heard the story. 'Once give that woman an inch, and she'll take an ell. The idea of shutting you out from all society—a young girl like you—because—'

'But she didn't want to shut me out from all society,' said Clara, honestly; 'it was only John Matthew.'

'No matter: it would amount to the same thing in the long run if you commenced by indulging her.'

'The idea of her being a housekeeper,' chimed in Miss Solomon. 'Why, the cook told me yesterday that she never had an idea how many potatoes were boiled for dinner, and that the pickles were fermenting shockingly.'

'Well, well,' said Aunt Patience, 'I don't know, for my part, what the world is coming to!'

Meanwhile, poor little Mrs Melton was sitting in the twilight at her husband's side, talking about Clara.

'I don't know what to do, Henry,' she said, ingenuously. 'She is the most affectionate little creature in the world, yet her heart is entirely barred against me, as if I were her bitterest enemy. She rejects alike my love, my sympathy, and my companionship, and seeks for these in the society of the old ladies at Mrs Parker's, her own mother's relations. It is very, very hard, Henry.'

'Shall I speak to her, Nina?'

'Not for worlds! That would only rouse her resentment and jealousy.'

'But it is unjust towards you, my love, to permit this insolent manner of hers. I have frequently seen the guests at our table surprised and shocked at it.'

'Nevertheless, dearest, we must wait. Perhaps, in time, I may be able to win her affection. In the meantime, any attempt at coercion or reproach would entirely estrange her.'

'Well, have things your own way, my little Nina.'

The discussion was abruptly brought to a close by Clara's own footstep on the porch-floor. Mr Matthew had escorted her home from Mrs Parker's cottage; but neither Mr nor Mrs Melton made any comment upon her cavalier.

Two or three days afterwards Mr Melton, glancing over the morning newspaper at the breakfast table, uttered a brief exclamation.

'What is it, papa?' asked Clara.

'Rather a disagreeable piece of news for you, my daughter: your gallant friend, Mr John Matthew, has been arrested for embezzling his employer's funds, and has been lodged in the Tombs.'

'Impossible, Papa?'

'Read it for yourself.'

He handed the newspaper over to Clara. She perused the paper with burning cheeks, fully expecting an outburst of triumph from her stepmother—the bitterest draught that could at that moment have been held to her lips; but Mrs Melton only said, quietly:

'I am exceedingly sorry. Mr Matthew was too young and handsome to have his career thus suddenly cut short. Let us hope there is some mistake about it.'

Clara's heart softened strangely towards her stepmother as she heard the mildly-spoken words.

CHAPTER THIRD.

'I wish you would not go, Clara. It is a long, late ride, and I do not fancy those Hamilton girls,' said Mr Melton.

'And you have not been at all well for the last few weeks, Clara,' entreated Mrs Melton.

The last plea of her stepmother was quite sufficient to arouse every antagonistic impulse in Clara's nature.

'Aunt Patience says it is all nonsense to closet up a great girl like me for every cough or sore throat!' she ejaculated impatiently. 'I want to go, and I shall go!'

Nina's gentle hand upon her husband's arm repressed the angry words that were rising to his lips, and Clara ran over to Mrs Parker's, to tell her that she had triumphed over her stepmother.

CHAPTER FOURTH.

'You don't tell me so,' cried Miss Solomon, uplifting both her hands,—"our Clara with the typhoid fever?'

'So the doctor says,' said Mr Melton, 'and—'

'I couldn't be of any use, nussin' her,' said Miss Solomon, 'and I'm weakly myself. Dr Green says I never'd ought to take care of sick folks.'

Mrs Parker had flown to the cupboard for her camphor bottle, and was liberally sprinkling her skirts and capstrings therewith.

'Please don't come a step nearer, Henry. I always was afraid of contagious fever.'

'Then we are to look for no assistance from you,' said Mr Melton, curling his lip.

'Certainly not,' said the old lady, emphatically. 'Of course, I'm very sorry for poor Clara; but she ought to have known better than to go over to the Hamiltons, when they are just recovering from it, and a long night ride afterwards.'

'I think so too,' said Aunt Patience, nodding her head. 'Typhoid fever's a dreadful disease, and it's our bounden duty to look after ourselves first. Just give me a sniff of that camphor, will you, Sister Parker? Of course, Henry Melton, you and your wife'll go off somewhere, and hire a nurse from the hospital to wait upon Clara.'

Mr Melton bowed an exceedingly brief adieu to the three alarmed old ladies, and walked

away, pondering within himself on the intense selfishness of the world.

Clara was quite delirious when her father returned, and Mrs Melton was watching by her bedside.

'Nina,' he said, 'I do not know but that we had better follow Miss Patience's advice, in one instance, at least. You must go away from her, and I'll engage a nurse.'

'Never,' said Nina; 'do you think I could leave her, your daughter, to the care of a hireling?'

And she triumphed.

CHAPTER FIFTH.

It was a gloomy evening late in October, when Clara Melton came back from the land of dreams and phantasy to her own identity and self-consciousness. Pale, weak, skeleton-like, she scarcely knew herself; but close at her bed-side was sitting—her stepmother! And, a little farther off, she could trace the outlines of her father's tall figure leaning against the window.

'Papa,' she murmured faintly, 'where have I been?'

His heart leaped within him, as he recognised the accents of reason in the voice that had so long babbled delirious monotonies.

'My daughter,' he said solemnly, 'you have been very near to the Valley of the Shadow of Death.'

'Where are Aunt Patience, and Mrs Parker, and—?'

'They shrank away from you, Clara, when they learned the fearful nature of your disease; they left you to struggle with death as best you might. It is only owing to your mother's tireless watching and constant care that you are with us now.'

Clara looked up into Nina's face; it was pale but tender. Instinctively she stretched out her arms.

'Mamma!'

And in that one loving, pleading word, Nina had her exceedingly great reward. She had conquered at last.

From that moment, henceforward, Clara clung to her with an affection that was almost a marvel to herself. It seemed as if Nina's presence was an absolute necessity to her—as if she could only be happy while she held her stepmother's hand and rested her head against her shoulder.

'Oh, mamma, why did I not know you sooner?' she would say, with the fondest caresses.

Aunt Patience, Mrs Parker, and Miss Solomon called, when all danger of infection was over, to express their condolence.

'Poor thing, how pale she is!' said Mrs Parker, 'I dare say her stepmother didn't half take care of her.'

But Clara rose indignantly.

'Don't dare to speak a word against my darling mother,' she said, with flashing eyes. 'If it had not been for her, I would have been dead and buried now. I love her better than all the world beside, and if I hear another word in her disparagement, I will turn you all out of doors.'

The three old ladies stared at each other. The stepmother had used some potent spell which had out-generated them all.

In a recent excavation of cellars, a Bostonian has dug up quite a number of tombstones bearing record of the early settlers. Among the most interesting is one of 'John Alden, senior, aged 75; deceased 14th March, 1701.' It is believed that this was the son of the John Alden and Priscilla immortalised in the 'Courtship of Miles Standish.' These tombstones will be carefully preserved undefaced, and placed amongst the other stones of the building that is to be erected.

A sad spectacle was witnessed at the Melbourne Police Court the other day, when Elizabeth Willis, a young woman who was both deaf and dumb, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was sent to gaol for three months. The 'unfortunate' expressed her astonishment by signs at the severity of the punishment meted out to her, which, however, was fully deserved, she having been four times convicted for drunkenness within the previous five months.

James Cusack, the criminal condemned to death for the murder of his wife at Gooley's Creek, in the Wood's Point District, on the 28th June, was executed on the 30th ult. He was said to be in a very desponding state of mind. His fear of death was excessive, but he said he could resign himself to the idea of imprisonment for life. Quite different is the conduct of Sup. ple, convicted of the wilful murder of J. N. Walshe, and whose case will be considered by the Full Court when it meets next month. He continues in a state of utter indifference, and says he cares nought for death.

Spread of Education.—A correspondent sends the following, which he saw in a shop window: 'A bakers Patient Mungal for Sail, and 2 B Sold. Enquire at number—' Street, Sumers Towne. A Deafened Bargain.'

Holloway's Ointment and Pills are a certain cure for scurvy. Edward Hope, of Ladismith, Port Natal, suffered more than most people from scurvy, the whole of his body being covered with this unsightly eruption. He tried a great number of reputed remedies, but was not benefitted by them; indeed, it became doubtful to his friends whether he would ever overcome this disfigurement. At length he tried Holloway's Ointment and Pills. These medicines quickly produced a beneficial change, and by continuing to use them for eight weeks, he was radically cured.

THE GOLD ROBBERY.

THE TRIAL OF M'LENNAN.

The Supreme Court opened at ten o'clock on Thursday, the 8th of September. The Judge summed up as follows:—

The question which the jury had to determine was not so extensive a one as it would have been had they been trying the principal offender for larceny, for the whole question turned upon the extent to which the approver's evidence had been confirmed by independent testimony. In the first place, the approver's evidence came before them tainted with great suspicion. In cross-examination Rennie admitted that he expected part of the reward, and had also been promised a pardon by the Government. Of his right to obtain that pardon, in accordance with the terms of the proclamation in the *Gazette*, there could be no doubt whatever. 'That was one motive. As to Rennie's impression that he would receive part of the reward, he (the learned Judge) was inclined to think that Rennie was mistaken, but the impression that he would do so was in his mind, and he went into the witness-box with what to him was a very great game to play. Circumstances occurred about the 13th of August to cast very strong suspicion upon Rennie; and on the 14th the police arrested him. It might be that Rennie had sagacity enough to see the case was against him; and the proclamation which had been posted about the place for the preceding seven or eight days occurred to his mind, and questions passed between himself and the police about the reward. Smith was very cautious; gave the prisoner the usual warning; told him the amount of the reward; and shewed him then a printed copy of the proclamation. Then it perhaps occurred to Rennie that he had better confess. Now, what was the use of his confessing without an accomplice?—for unless there was an accomplice in the case, he would neither be entitled to the pardon nor to any portion of the reward, to which he would be otherwise entitled. Rennie's position in the Court was precisely this: If he failed to convict the prisoner, then he stepped into the dock himself immediately after the failure, and was sentenced by the Judge. The fate of the man in the dock meant to Rennie, on the one side, a considerable term of imprisonment; and on the other, pardon, and, as he thought, reward also. The jury must take this fact into consideration in weighing Rennie's testimony, even if there were no rules which required corroboration of it as being the evidence of an approver. If the jury chose to take the bit in their mouths, and return a verdict of guilty on the unsupported testimony of Rennie, no court in the country could set aside their verdict upon that ground alone; and all that could be done would be to recommend the Governor to exercise his right of pardon. They would see that the witness had a motive for telling a series of lies in the witness-box; and it was their duty to keep that motive continually in their minds, and to weigh his evidence in the strictest and nicest balance. It became more incumbent upon them to do so when they were informed that their verdict could not be set aside, because they had convicted on Rennie's uncorroborated evidence. . . . Every accomplice who turned Queen's evidence had a strong motive to convict the prisoner, because it was upon the conviction that his own pardon depended. The jury were therefore required to take circumstances of corroboration, not as matters of importance in themselves, but as enabling them to judge of the value of the accomplice's testimony. When the present jury retire, they must ask themselves, Shall we or shall we not—ought we or ought we not—believe this witness? And if they come to the conclusion that the evidence was open to doubt, then came in another rule of law, and they must give the prisoner the benefit of the doubt. What were the circumstances relied upon for a corroboration in this case? They were numerous, but each was extremely trivial in intrinsic value. There was not a very strong circumstance amongst them that might not be accounted for in other ways; therefore, if any one, or even two, of these corroborative facts had stood alone, it would have been his duty to say that that was not enough; but inasmuch as there were a great number, it would be for the jury to decide upon their total value. He merely said, Consider them separately and then altogether, and ask your own consciences whether they ought to be admitted as sufficient corroboration of the approver's testimony, seeing his strong motive to make a case out against the prisoner. . . . His Honor commented at considerable length on the evidence. It was evident that one man could commit the robbery because one man did it; and all that was required to enable one man to steal the treasure was accurate information of the state of the place. Was an accomplice necessary for this?—or, could not Rennie have obtained the information for himself by careful enquiry? There were discrepancies in Rennie's evidence about the key, and the letter which he said M'Leenan left at Elliott's, but the general aspect of his testimony was that it was clearly and consecutively delivered, and so far as his own robbery was concerned, might be accepted as true. The question which the jury had to decide was, Are these several little circumstances of corroboration such as to induce us to give credit to Rennie's testimony? If they believed that testimony to be true, it was competent for them to find a verdict against the prisoner; but if they thought there was no corroboration, and that so far as the prisoner was concerned, Rennie had been concocting a story for the purpose of obtaining the reward, they would, of course, acquit the prisoner. If they had any reasonable doubt on this question, they would give him the benefit of the doubt.

At the close of his Honor's remarks, the audience strongly manifested their approval.

The jury retired at eight o'clock, and returned into Court at five minutes to nine, with a verdict of 'Not Guilty.'

The announcement was received with clapping of hands and cheering by the spectators. One lad was taken in custody, and sentenced to 24 hours' imprisonment for contempt of Court, but was released by direction of his Honor a few minutes afterwards.

Mr Hagitt stated that he did not intend to proceed with the other indictment against M'Leenan, who was then liberated.

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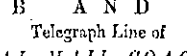
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